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ACTION: AMEMBASSY, ROME PRIORITY

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SUBJECT: Civair; Letter to General Santini

Reference: ROME 666 - AV 4 ROT-US

1. Embassy requested transmit letter to General Santini using following text:

BEGIN QUOTE At the end of our recent informal discussions in Rome, a few suggestions were drawn up on possible approaches to the issue of multiple designation, as well as a possible basis for dealing with all-cargo services. We have been exploring these suggestions here in Washington to see if any of them were worth pursuing. I hope it has been possible for you also to examine the items we listed so that we can see now whether some area of agreement can be found to overcome these two problems.

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QUOTE With respect to the multiple designation issue, it appears to us that either the suggestion in 1(a), regarding deferment of any designation of US carriers, including possibly a new carrier, for a temporary period, or 1(c), regarding substitution of a new route for Atlanta-Dallas, might provide the basis of a bridge between our respective positions. With respect to all-cargo services, we believe that the suggestion

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contained in the list may open the way to a fruitful discussion. Needless to say, there are many aspects of these ~~negotiations~~ suggestions which will require further intensive examination.

QUOTE While these suggestions could be considered either in formal or informal talks, there may be some advantage in having another informal discussion before proceeding to the next formal negotiation session. If this suggestion appeals to you, would it be possible for you to come to Washington for this informal exchange, leaving then Rome as the site for renewing formal consultations? If you agree with this approach, I would suggest that we have the informal meetings the latter part of March, possibly the week of March 24. I realize this is very short notice for such informal talks. However, I believe such early fruitful talks could open the way for us to return to negotiations. If you can come to Washington at this time, perhaps you could let me know as soon as you can through our Embassy in Rome or through your Embassy here. ~~Sincerely yours, John S. Meadows~~ END QUOTE

~~2. Embassy may inform FonOff informally of above. Department plans inform Ambassador Gronouski of suggestion to Saragat.~~

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QUOTE I found your conversations in Rome most useful and stimulating, and am looking forward to seeing you again in the near future. With best wishes. John S. Meadows END QUOTE.

2. Department plans inform Ambassador Ortona of above invitation being extended to Santini. Embassy may also inform Fonoff informally of above if it believes desirable.

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